

Preface

The event that inspired the publication of this book was an international conference on “Trauma and Memory: Subjective and Collective Experiences.” In the conference, which took place in December 2003 at Bar-Ilan University, Israel, experts from various disciplinary fields gathered to discuss the notion of trauma and explore universal and local manifestations of it. The dialogue that developed between historians, physicians, anthropologists, psychiatrists, lawyers, and philosophers in the conference indicated that there is fertile ground for further research in this field. This book follows this interest by integrating these diverse approaches to trauma through the organizing themes of the conference.

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